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1. DCM SAW URQUHART BRIEFLY AT 1500 FEB. 5 AND CONVEYED MESSAGE REFTEL. HIS FIRST REACTION WAS THAT HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER WALDHEIM HAD MADE STATEMENT IN CAIRO ATTRIBUTUED TO HIM BY AP. HE THEN SAID THE SECRETARY GENERAL WAS EXTREMELY CONSCIOUS OF IMPORTANCE OF U.S. ROLE IN PEACE PROCESS AND WAS AWARE OF U.S. CONCERNS. IN FACT, HE SAID, WALDHEIM HIMSELF HAD MADE POINT TO FONMIN KHADDAM EARLIER IN DAY THAT HE DID NOT GOVERN SECURITY COUNCIL OR DECIDE WHEN AND WHERE IT WOULD MEET. WALDHEIM WOULD BE MEETING WITH PRES. ASAD AT 1600 AND HE WOULD MAKE SURE OUR MESSAGE REACHED HIM BEFORE THEN. CONFIDENTIAL

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2. URQUHART SAID HE WOULD BE VERY PLEASED TO BRIEF CLARK CLIFFORD ON CYRPUS WHEN HE COMES TO WASHINGTON FEB. 14. HE UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, THAT CLIFFORD MEIGHT BE SEEKING DIRECT MEETING WITH SECRETARY GENERAL ON SUBJECT.

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